

COST SHARE AGREEMENT

Between the
USDA FOREST SERVICE, FLATHEAD & LEWIS & CLARK NATIONAL FORESTS
And
USDI BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS-BLACKFEET INDIAN RESERVATION
And
MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES & CONSERVATION, on behalf of
Glacier County
And
USDI NATIONAL PARK SERVICE, GLACIER NATIONAL PARK

The purpose of this agreement is to provide for a coordinated cooperative fire suppression operation on this fire and to describe the cost division. Following is the cost share agreement between the agencies identified above as negotiated for the following incident in accordance with the **Statewide Cooperative Fire Protection Agreement #05-FI-11015600-14** executed between the parties on 3/10/05.

Incident Name: SKYLAND FIRE

Origin: County: Flathead Lat: 48 16'8" Long: 113 23' 10"

Estimated Size: 44373 Acres (8/19/07 - 209) at the time of this agreement.

Incident Start Date and Time: 7/23/07, 1630 hrs.

Jurisdictions: Flathead National Forest, Lewis & Clark National Forest, Blackfeet Indian Reservation, Glacier County (State and Private lands).

Incident Cause: Lightning

Incident Numbers by Agency:

Agency	Fire #	Accounting Code
Forest Service	MT-FNF-000035	P1DS6J/0110
MT DNRC		87004
BIA		C514400792310DS6J

Cost Share Period: This agreement becomes effective on the date indicated below and will remain in effect until amended or terminated.

State date/time: 07/30/2007 @ 2000

End date/time: 09/19/2007 @1800

Command Structure: Overall direction of this incident will be by () **Unified Command**, or by (X) **Single Command** structure, with a Delegation of Authority to I.C. from all involved protection agencies.

Principal Contacts: The following personnel are the principal contacts:

Position	Name	Agency
Incident Commander	Dave LaFave	WA-DNRC
	Jeff Pendelton	USFS – R6
	Tom Heintz	USFS-R1
Agency Administrative Rep. FS	Jimmy D. DeHerrerra, District Ranger	USFS - Flathead
Agency Administrative Rep DNRC	Garry Williams	MT DNRC Central Land Office
Finance Section Chief	Sheryl Windle	WA-DNRC
	Sirena Sams	USFS – R6
	Mike Wong	USFS-R9

Agency representatives participating in the development of this cost share agreement:

Forest Service – Flathead & L&C Name: Frank Preite/Roberta Whitlock Title: Incident Business Advisor	MT DNRC on behalf of Glacier County Name: Sue Clark Title: Incident Business Advisor
BIA – Blackfeet Indian Reservation Name: Steve Pollock Title: Superintendent of the Blackfeet Agency	

Structural Protection:

1. Identify the entity(s) that will provide structural protection and the rationale.

- ◆ DNRC agrees to assume 100% of the costs incurred by Glacier County relating to structure protection within the Lewis & Clark NF wildland fire protection area. *(These actions are defined in the 8/11/99, Northern Rockies Coordinating Group document titled, "Structural Fire Protection".)* These costs are not part of the cost share agreement.
- ◆ DNRC agrees to assume 100% of the costs incurred by Glacier and Pondera County relating to structure protection within the Blackfeet Reservation wildland fire protection area. *(These actions are defined in the 8/11/99, Northern Rockies Coordinating Group document titled, "Structural Fire Protection".)* These costs are not part of the cost share agreement.
- ◆ Within the direct protection area of the Flathead National Forest, there are no structures.

2. Also include the matrix that identifies the protecting entities and their responsibilities.

PROTECTING ENTITIES & RESPONSIBILITIES

Entity & Location of Protection	Wildland Fire Responsibility (Yes or No)	Structure Protection Responsibility (Yes or No)	Structure Suppression Responsibility (Yes or No)
Flathead NF	Yes	No Structures	No
Lewis & Clark NF – includes private affidavit lands	Yes	Yes	No
BIA-Blackfeet Reservation – Trust Lands	Yes	Yes	No
Glacier County and Pondera County - Blackfeet Reservation – Private Lands within Reservation	No	Yes	Yes
Glacier County – Non Affidavit Lands	Yes	Yes	Yes
Pondera County – Non Affidavit Lands	Yes	Yes	Yes

Special Management Operational Conditions: Refer to the Wildland Fire Situation Analysis.

Basis or Rationale for Cost Share:

When tactical and/or support resources that will be shared by all agencies that have a direct protection responsibility, cost will be based on acres burned in each agency's direct protection area within the Cost Share period. Billing agencies will bill each agency based on the percentages below for cost incurred in the support of the Skyland Incident.

- a. USFS - 79%
- b. BIA - 21%

Other conditions relative to this agreement (Special conditions, standard clauses, notifications, incident information, etc.)

- 1) Costs for nonexpendable property purchases by each agency will be charged directly to that agency and will not be shared.
- 2) Administrative overhead costs such as agency personnel, support and services, not directly assigned or ordered by the incident, will not be included as a part of this cost share agreement and will not be shared.
- 3) Costs incurred by cooperators not engaged in unified fire suppression activities will not be included as part of this cost share agreement.
- 4) Agency-specific costs will not be shared.
- 5) Non-suppression rehabilitation costs are the responsibility of the jurisdiction agency and will not be shared.
- 6) Responsibility for tort claims costs or compensation for injury costs will not be a part of this agreement. Responsibility for these costs will be determined outside this agreement.
- 7) Daily cost sharing will be documented and approved by the Agency Administrators or their designated representatives.
- 8) Sharing of final actual costs between the agencies will be based on actual incident suppression costs and each agency's proportionate share thereof as agreed to by the protection agencies.
- 9) Large fire overhead support provided by an Area Command, Buying Team, Expanded Dispatch, Mobilization and Demobilization Centers and Transportation Centers will not be shared in this agreement.
- 10) Per the Montana Cooperative Fire Agreement billing procedures, the parties to this agreement will determine the total costs of each agency. Each agency will bill for their costs.

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This Agreement and the apportionment described are our best judgments of fair and equitable Agency cost responsibilities.

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Kalispell, Montana 59901

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Catherine Barbouletos, Forest Supervisor

Date: 8/31/07

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PO Box 869, 1101 15th Street N
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Signature: Lesley Thompson
Lesley Thompson, Forest Supervisor

Date: 8/31/07

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Edward Parisain, BIA Regional Director

Date: _____

Agency: Blackfeet Tribe
P.O. Box 850
Browning, MT 59417

Signature: Earl Old Person ^{BTBC.}
Earl Old Person, Chairman
Blackfeet Tribe

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Agency: State of Montana – DNRC
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8001 North Montana, Helena, MT 59602

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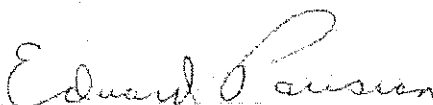
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